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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA
SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 1 November 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

SECURITY COUNCIL WORKING GROUP
ON THE BRAHIMI REPORT

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

2000 UNITED NATIONS PLEDGING CONFERENCE
FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

2000 UNITED NATIONS/FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS
PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR THE
WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME

10 a.m	1st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Joint opening of the Pledging Conferences
2. Election of officers of the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme
3. Statements regarding pledges for the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities (A/CONF.193/1, A/CONF.190/2, E/2000/46/Add.2 and Corr.1)

Announcement

The monthly tentative forecast has been made available to Member States in accordance with the Notes by the President of the Security Council dated 27 July 1993 (S/26176) and 30 April 1998 (S/1998/354). In accordance with the aforementioned decisions, copies of the tentative forecast have been placed in the delegations' boxes and may be collected at the delegations' "pick-up area".

2000 UNITED NATIONS/FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME

3 p.m. 1st meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Statement of pledges
2. Adoption of the draft report (A/CONF.194/L.1)
3. Closure of the Conference segment

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m. 47th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa [50]

(a) Report of the Open-Ended Ad Hoc Working Group on the Causes of Conflict and the Promotion of Durable Peace and Sustainable Development in Africa (A/55/45)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/55/431)

3 p.m. 48th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa [50]

   (a) Report of the Open-Ended Ad Hoc Working Group on the Causes of Conflict and the Promotion of Durable Peace and Sustainable Development in Africa (A/55/45)

   (b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/55/431)

2. Admission of new Members to the United Nations: Federal Republic of Yugoslavia: draft resolution (A/55/L.23) [19]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.* 27th meeting Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 65 to 81

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/55/INF.1)]

* Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting, but no later than 12.30 p.m., the Department for Disarmament Affairs will hold a ceremony of presentation of United Nations Disarmament Fellowship certificates will be held.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 42nd meeting Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [114 (b)] (A/55/177, A/55/213 and Add.1, A/55/214 and Add.1, A/55/275 and Add.1, A/55/279, A/55/280 and Add.1 and 2, A/55/283, A/55/288, A/55/289, A/55/291, A/55/292, A/55/296 and Add.1, A/55/302, A/55/306, A/55/328, A/55/342, A/55/360, A/55/395-S/2000/880, A/55/404-S/2000/889, A/55/408 and A/C.3/55/2)

2. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and special representatives [114 (c)] (A/55/269, A/55/282* and Corr.1, A/55/294, A/55/318, A/55/335, A/55/346, A/55/358, A/55/359, A/55/363, A/55/374, A/55/400, A/55/403, A/55/509 and A/55/426-S/2000/913)

3. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [114 (d)] (A/55/36 and A/55/438-S/2000/93)

4. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [114 (e)] (A/55/36)

Introductory statements by:

Special Representative on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran

Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Rwanda

Dialogue with the Special Representatives

Continuation of general discussion

3 p.m.-6 p.m. 43rd meeting Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women [107]

Introduction of revised draft resolutions A/C.3/55/L.11/Rev.1, L.13/Rev.1 and L.16/Rev.1

2. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [110]

Introduction of revised draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.18/Rev.1

3. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [114 (a)]

Introduction of revised draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.31/Rev.1

4. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [114 (b)] (A/55/177, A/55/213 and Add.1, A/55/214 and Add.1, A/55/275 and Add.1, A/55/279, A/55/280 and Add.1 and 2, A/55/283, A/55/288, A/55/289, A/55/291, A/55/292, A/55/296 and Add.1, A/55/302, A/55/306, A/55/328, A/55/342, A/55/360, A/55/395-S/2000/880, A/55/404-S/2000/889, A/55/408 and A/C.3/55/2)

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6. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [114 (d)] (A/55/36 and A/55/438-S/2000/93)

7. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [114 (e)] (A/55/36)

Continuation of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 17th meeting Conference Room 3

Human resources management [123]

Introductory statement by the Deputy Secretary-General (A/55/253 and Corr.1)

(A/55/270, A/55/168, A/55/427, A/55/499, A/53/955, A/C.5/54/21, A/54/257, A/54/279 and Corr.1, A/C.5/54/L.3, A/C.5/55/L.3, A/C.5/54/2, A/54/450, A/C.5/55/CRP.1 and CRP.2)

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/55/397 and A/55/352 and Corr.1)

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit: Administration of justice at the United Nations (A/55/57 and Add.1 and A/55/514)

Management irregularities causing financial losses to the Organization (also under agenda item 116) (A/54/793, A/55/499 and A/55/399 and Corr.1)

Introduction of above documents and general discussion

3 p.m.-6 p.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 169 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (A/C.5/55/16))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 21st meeting Conference Room 4

3 p.m.-6 p.m. 22nd meeting Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session [159] (A/55/10)

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	1st meeting	Conference Room 8

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

2. International Criminal Tribunal for Yugoslavia

COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	205th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Consideration and adoption of the Committee's report to the General Assembly

2. Other matters.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 1 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 1 November 2000

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.15 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

6 p.m.- 8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on environmental issues)

6 p.m.- 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda items 100 and 92 (a))

6 p.m.- 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

FRENCH-LANGUAGE WORKSHOP ON THE STRUCTURE, DRAFTING AND ADOPTION OF UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

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There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee) *today*, 1 November 2000, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room C.

There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (Third Committee) *today*, 1 November 2000, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors to discuss the draft resolution under agenda item 14 (Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency), organized by the delegation of Nigeria, *today*, 1 November 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 November 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

The Web site of the Netherlands Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.int/netherlands.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 2 November 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m.	49th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	50th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Culture of peace [33]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/377)

   (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (A/55/338)

2. Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome in all its aspects [179]

   (a) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/55/529)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.13)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 3
Afternoon**	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 18th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

** Following the adjournment of the 19th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 4

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 173 (Towards global partnerships)

Informal consultations for interested Member States and possible co-sponsors on a draft resolution under agenda item 173 (Towards global partnerships) will be held on Thursday, 2 November 2000, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) on Monday, 6 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee will hold its 17th meeting on Monday, 6 November 2000 at 10 a.m. and will begin consideration of agenda item 85 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories). Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on agenda item 85, as well as on the other remaining items on the agenda (items 86 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects) and 87 (Questions relating to information)) are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-0388), as soon as possible.

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The Working Group of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will meet on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 November, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will meet on Monday and Tuesday, 6 and 7 November 2000, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Wednesday, 8 November 2000, at 10 a.m. sharp, in Conference Room 9.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on agenda item 93 (b) (Business and development)* on Thursday, 2 November 2000, from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Briefing

There will be a briefing on "The Right to Development: A World Bank View", by Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Younis, World Bank Special Representative, Geneva Office, on Thursday, 2 November 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the office of the World Bank (tel.: (212) 986-8306).

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations under agenda item 174 (The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order), organized by the delegation of Guyana, will take place on Thursday, 2 November 2000, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A.

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Information meeting

There will be a preparatory information meeting for the Bamako Seminar on Universalization and Implementation of the Mine Ban Treaty in Africa (Mali, 15-16 February 2001), organized by the delegations of Mali, Canada and France, on Thursday, 2 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations under agenda item 37 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the special session of the General Assembly in this regard) will take place on Thursday, 2 November 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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Briefing

The briefing to Group of 77 Ambassadors and their experts by the Chief Executive and Chairman of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), Mr. Mohamed El-Ashry, will take place on Tuesday, 7 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the agency's development programme to assist developing countries on the following issues: climate change, biological diversity, desertification and forests: (a) capacity-building; (b) technology transfer; and (c) adaptation.

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Workshop

The United Nations University and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) are jointly organizing a workshop on "COP6 and the Kyoto Protocol Negotiations" as part of their annual Series on Sustainable Development in Practice. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 7 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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Briefing

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services will hold an informal briefing on the annual report of the Office for the period 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000, for interested delegates, on Wednesday, 8 November 2000, at 2 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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Workshop

The United Nations University will hold a workshop on "Building Conflict Prevention Capacity: Methods, Experiences, Needs" on Tuesday, 14 November 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the New York office of the United Nations University (tel.: (212) 963-6346).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Seton Hall University School of Diplomacy and International Relations are jointly organizing a workshop in their Series on the Art of Public Speaking for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday and Friday, 16 and 17 November, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, a draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 9 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9196).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 31 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

4212th (private) meeting

Briefing by Judge Gilbert Guillaume, President of the International Court of Justice

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4212th meeting, held in private on 31 October 2000, the Security Council considered the item entitled 'Briefing by Judge Gilbert Guillaume, President of the International Court of Justice'.

"In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, and in the absence of objection, the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Judge Gilbert Guillaume, President of the International Court of Justice.

"The members of the Council heard an informative briefing by Judge Guillaume.

4213th meeting

Women and peace and security

The Council continued its consideration of the item.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2000/1044, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2000/1044) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2000/1044) received 15 votes in favour, none against, and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1325 (2000).

4214th meeting

Admission of new Members

Note by the Secretary-General (S/2000/1043)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, in accordance with the provisions of rule 59 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure, referred the application of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia for membership in the United Nations to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for examination and report.

4215th meeting

Admission of new Members

Report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members concerning the application of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia for admission to membership in the United Nations (S/2000/1051)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of the draft resolution contained in paragraph 4 of the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members concerning the application of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia for admission to membership in the United Nations (S/2000/1051).

Decision: The draft resolution recommended in paragraph 4 of the report of the Committee on the Admission of New members concerning the application of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia for admission to membership in the United Nations (S/2000/1051) was adopted without a vote as resolution 1326 (2000).

The President made a statement on behalf of the members of the Council (S/PRST/2000/30).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

45th plenary meeting

Towards global partnerships [173]

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, France (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), Singapore, Egypt, India, Brazil, Romania, Saint Lucia and Pakistan.

The General Assembly was informed that a draft resolution would be submitted under this item at a later date.

Peace, security and reunification on the Korean peninsula draft resolution (A/55/L.14) [183]

The representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/55/L.14.

The representative of the Republic of Korea made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/55/L.14.

Statements were made by the representatives of Singapore, Togo, Japan, France (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), the United States, Viet Nam, the Russian Federation, China, Australia, New Zealand, Peru and Argentina.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/55/L.14 (resolution 55/11).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 183.

Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the special session of the General Assembly in this regard: report of the Secretary-General (A/55/344) [37]

The President made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Chile and France (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey).

46th plenary meeting

Note The summary of the 46th plenary meeting will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2000/213).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 26th meeting

The Committee continued its third stage of work (action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 65 to 81).

Introduction of revised draft resolutions

The representative of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.47/Rev.1.

The representative of Islamic Republic of Iran introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.1/Rev.1.

Action on draft resolutions

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.1/Rev.1 was adopted by 90 votes to 0, with 60 abstentions. The Secretary of the Committee presented an oral statement in connection with draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.1/Rev.1.

The Committee took action on draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.19/Rev.1 as follows: (a) the last three words of the third operative paragraph were adopted by a recorded vote of 134 votes to 1, with 10 abstentions; (b) the third operative paragraph, as a whole, was adopted by a recorded vote of 138 votes to 1, with 9 abstentions; and (c) draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.19, as a whole, was adopted by a recorded vote of 146 votes to 4, with 6 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.42 was adopted without a vote. The Secretary of the Committee presented an oral statement in connection with draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.42.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.28 was adopted without a vote. The Secretary of the Committee presented an oral statement in connection with draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.28/Rev.1.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.47/Rev.1 was adopted by 150 votes to 0, with 0 abstentions.

SECOND COMMITTEE 30th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions: Trade and Development [92 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.19

The representative of Kazakhstan introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Kyrgyzstan.

Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) [99]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.18

The representative of Nigeria introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Globalization and interdependence [100]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.16

The representative of Romania introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Canada, the Czech Republic, Fiji and Thailand.

The representative of Ukraine made a statement.

Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries [102]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Bangladesh, Benin, the Sudan, Ethiopia, Pakistan, the United States, Yemen, Haiti, the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of SADC countries), Togo, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mozambique, Cambodia, Nepal, Myanmar, China, Uganda and Zambia and the observer for Switzerland.

31st meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 102 and heard statements by the representatives of Japan, the Maldives and Bhutan.

The Committee thus concluded its general consideration of the item.

Training and research [97]

The Committee began its consideration of the item to address the issue of the United Nations University, and heard an introductory statement by the Rector of the United Nations University.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, China, Canada, Jordan and Japan.

Environment and sustainable development: protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind [95 (g)]

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-item and heard an introductory statement by the Executive Secretary of the Secretariat for the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

H.E. Mr. Jan Szyszko, Secretary of State for Climate Change of Poland, made a statement in his capacity as President of the Fifth Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Norway, Guatemala, Indonesia, India, Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of CARICOM countries), Kenya, Australia, Belarus, Poland, Chile, Argentina and China and the observer for Switzerland.

The Executive Secretary of the Secretariat for the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change responded to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of sub-item 95 (g).

Additional sponsors

Additional sponsors were announced to draft proposals as follows: *A/C.2/55/L.4*: Canada, Cyprus, Fiji, Finland, Hungary, Japan, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, New Zealand, Norway, Republic of Korea, Sweden. *A/C.2/55/L.5*: Belgium, Bolivia, Cape Verde, Ethiopia, Gabon, Guatemala, Honduras, Iceland, Kenya, Luxembourg, South Africa; *A/C.2/55/L.7/Rev.1*: Morocco.

Deadline for the submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under agenda items 97 (United Nations University only) and 95 (g) was *Wednesday, 1 November, at 6 p.m.*.

At the request of the representative of Nigeria, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the Committee agreed to extend the deadlines for the submission of draft proposals as follows: *Tuesday, 31 October*: sub-item 93 (a) - Industrial development cooperation; *Tuesday, 7 November*: sub-item 92 (a) - Trade and development; sub-item 92 (b) - Commodities; sub-item 92 (c) - External debt; *Wednesday, 8 November*: sub-item 93 (b) - Business and development; *Friday, 10 November*: sub-item 94 (a) - International Development Strategy; and item 100 - Globalization and interdependence.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 20th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session [159]

Statements were made by the representatives of Israel, the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Guatemala, Mexico, Argentina, Bahrain, Venezuela, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq and Greece.

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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Seventieth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2000

1890th and 1891st meetings

The Committee adopted the concluding observations on Trinidad and Tobago (CCPR/C/CO/70/TTO).

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention on Customs Treatment of Pool Containers used in International Transport. Geneva, 21 January 1994

Accession: Slovenia (30 October 2000)*

Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel. New York, 9 December 1994

Accession: Costa Rica (17 October 2000)*

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Montreal, 29 January 2000

Signature: Senegal (31 October 2000)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Signature: Panama (31 October 2000)

International Coffee Agreement 2001. London, 28 September 2000

OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

The Agreement will be open for signature at United Nations Headquarters *today*, 1 November 2000, and will remain open for signature until 25 September 2001 by Contracting Parties to the International Coffee Agreement 1994 or the International Coffee Agreement 1994 as extended, and Governments invited to the session of the International Coffee Council at which this Agreement was negotiated, in accordance with its article 43.

Delegations intending to sign the Agreement are advised to submit, as necessary, full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations, New York (fax: (212) 963-3693).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November 2000 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Mauritania
H.E. Mr. Mahfoudh Ould Deddach

Asian States:
Kyrgyzstan
H.E. Ms.Elmira S. Ibraimova

Eastern European States:
Slovenia
H.E. Mr. Ernest Petrič

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Brazil
H.E. Mr. Gelson Fonseca, Jr.

Western European and other States:
Germany
H.E. Mr. Dieter Kastrup

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